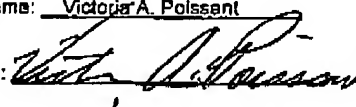


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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**Amendment A**

Dear Examiner:

This amendment responds to the Office action mailed October 3, 2005 for the subject application, in which Claims 1-43 were rejected. An extension fee of \$120.00 for response within the first month is being submitted concurrently herewith.

By way of the present amendment, Applicants amended Claims 1, 5, 7, 10, 12, 14, 16, 23, and 43; and added Claim 44. Forty-four (44) claims remain pending in the application: Claims 1-44, of which Claims 1, 24, 40, and 43 are independent.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2; and**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.

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